

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
ROANOKE DIVISION**

BRADLEY MAXWELL,
Plaintiff,

v.

HENRY PONTON, et al.,
Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 7:15-cv-00469

ORDER

By: Hon. Robert S. Ballou
United States Magistrate Judge

Plaintiff filed a civil rights Complaint, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983, and the court directed the Clerk to notify the defendants of this action. After waiving service, defendants filed only an Answer to the Complaint, and Plaintiff has filed a motion to compel defendants to file a motion for summary judgment or stay the action. In order to reduce delay and expenses borne by the court and by the parties in this pro se prisoner case, Plaintiff's motion to compel is **GRANTED** to the extent the defendants shall **FILE** a motion for summary judgment supported by affidavits, pursuant to Standing Order 2013-6, within thirty days of this Order's entry.

The Clerk shall send copies of this Order to the parties.

It is so **ORDERED**.

Enter: December 22, 2015

/s/ Robert S. Ballou

Robert S. Ballou
United States Magistrate Judge